

National Service in Nebraska

Year in Review

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MEETING NEEDS IN NEBRASKA

Last year more than 2,600 Americans of all ages and backgrounds met local needs, strengthened communities, and expanded economic opportunity through national service in Nebraska. The Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) invested more than \$5.1 million in federal funding to support cost-effective community solutions, working hand in hand with local partners to empower citizens to solve problems. AmeriCorps members and Senior Corps volunteers are preparing today's students for tomorrow's jobs, reducing crime and reviving cities, connecting veterans to services, fighting the opioid epidemic, helping seniors live independently, and rebuilding communities after disasters.

National service participants served at more than 300 locations across Nebraska, including schools, food banks, homeless shelters, health clinics, youth centers, veterans' facilities, and other nonprofit and faith-based organizations. Through a unique public-private partnership, CNCS, its grantees, and project sponsors generated more than \$2.8 million in outside resources from businesses, foundations, public agencies, and other sources in Nebraska in the last year. This local support strengthened community impact and increased the return on taxpayer dollars.

AMERICORPS



Last year, more than 300 AmeriCorps members met pressing local needs across Nebraska, making a lasting impact in communities while gaining valuable skills and experience to advance their careers. AmeriCorps members serve in one of three programs:

- **AmeriCorps State & National** engages men and women in intensive service at thousands of locations across the country through nonprofits, schools, public agencies, tribes, and community and faith-based groups. Most AmeriCorps grant funding goes to ServeNebraska, the Governor-appointed State Service Commission, which in turn awards grants to organizations to respond to local needs.
- **AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteers In Service To America)** taps the skills, talents, and passion of Americans of all ages to support community efforts to overcome poverty.
- **AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps)** is a full-time, team-based residential program for 18-24 year-olds. Members develop leadership skills by contributing to public safety, environment, and disaster projects. FEMA Corps, a unit of NCCC, focuses solely on disaster preparedness, response, and recovery.

In exchange for their service, AmeriCorps members earn a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award that can be used to pay for trade school, college, or graduate school; or to pay back qualified student loans. Since 1994, more than 6,800 Nebraska residents have served approximately 11 million hours and earned education awards totaling more than \$24.9 million.

SENIOR CORPS



Senior Corps taps the skills, talents, and experience of Americans age 55 and over to meet a wide range of community challenges. Last year, more than 2,200 Nebraska seniors met critical community needs while contributing to their own health and well-being through one of three Senior Corps programs:

- **Foster Grandparents** serve one-on-one as tutors and mentors to young people with exceptional needs.
- **Senior Companions** help seniors and other adults maintain independence in their own homes.
- **RSVP volunteers** conduct safety patrols, renovate homes, protect the environment, tutor and mentor youth, respond to natural disasters, and provide other services.

Last year, Foster Grandparents tutored and mentored 1,650 young people, Senior Companions helped 180 seniors live independently, and RSVP volunteers strengthened the impact of 180 organizations across Nebraska.

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Our Focus Areas



Disaster Services



Economic & Workforce Development



Education



Energy & Conservation



Health & Aging



Veterans and Military Families

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At a Glance Report

AmeriCorps	Projects	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding
AmeriCorps National	4	6	8	\$24,984	\$6,664
AmeriCorps NCCC	12	12	99	-	-
AmeriCorps State	11	47	172	\$587,037	\$1,215,560
AmeriCorps VISTA	14	23	64	\$246,633	\$674,133
AMERICORPS TOTAL	41	88	343	\$858,654	\$1,896,357
Senior Corps	Projects	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding
Foster Grandparent Program	5	120	233	-	\$1,182,172
RSVP	7	184	1,975	-	\$347,769
Senior Companion Program	1	6	60	-	\$271,420
SENIOR CORPS TOTAL	13	310	2,268	-	\$1,801,362
Other Funding	Projects	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding
State Commission Investment Funds	2	-	-	-	\$350,413
State Commission Operations Support	1	-	-	-	\$265,000
Training and Technical Assistance	1	-	-	-	\$19,386
OTHER FUNDING TOTAL	4	-	-	-	\$634,799
PROGRAM TOTALS	58	398	2,611	\$858,654	\$4,332,518
TOTAL CNCS FUNDING (including Education Scholarships)					\$5,191,172
TOTAL LOCAL PROJECT SUPPORT (Non-CNCS Resources)					\$2,823,055
TOTAL CNCS FUNDING + TOTAL LOCAL PROJECT SUPPORT					\$8,014,226

National service programs continue to improve lives and communities in Nebraska, with 126 AmeriCorps member and 2,235 Senior Corps volunteers currently serving.

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Notes: With the exception of the Current Participants column, all data shown represents national service activity completed between January 7, 2019 and January 6, 2020.

1. Projects may be headquartered in other states.
2. The service location total may contain multiple counts of unique locations where multiple CNCS programs operated.
3. Completed participants reflects all AmeriCorps members who completed service in Nebraska between January 7, 2019 and January 6, 2020. For Senior Corps, this reflects all volunteers funded by grants completed during that same period.
4. The Education Scholarships figures represent the maximum potential value of Segal AmeriCorps Education Awards that could be earned by AmeriCorps members who completed service in Nebraska. The award can be used in any state to pay for college, graduate school, vocational training, or to pay back student loans.
5. AmeriCorps State and National, Foster Grandparent, and Senior Companion federal funding reflects the estimated proportionate share of the federal grant associated with the participants in this report. For AmeriCorps VISTA, funding reflects the national average cost per participant. RSVP funding appears in the state where the project is based and reflects the full amount awarded to operate the completed grant.
6. Current participants reflects national service participants currently serving in Nebraska.
7. Total local project support reflects non-CNCS cash and in-kind resources that CNCS grantees committed to raise in support of their completed grants. As part of its public-private partnership approach, CNCS grantees leverage additional resources to strengthen community impact and increase the return on the federal investment.
8. Funding for the Social Innovation Fund was eliminated in FY 2017; projects shown operated under previously awarded grants.

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Project Report

AmeriCorps

City	Project Name Sponsor Organization	Program Type	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding	Current Participants
Beatrice	SCA NE Student Conservation Association, Inc.	AmeriCorps National	2	3	\$8,828	\$1,140	-
Crete	Public Health Solutions District Health Department Public Health Solutions District Health Department	AmeriCorps State	1	6	\$17,760	\$44,838	-
Fremont	Habitat for Humanity - Fremont (July 12 - September 5, 2019) Fremont Area Habitat for Humanity	AmeriCorps NCCC	2	8	-	-	-
Fremont	Rebuilding Together Platte Valley East Rebuilding Together, Inc	AmeriCorps National	-	-	-	-	1
Fremont	ServeNebraska (March 27 - April 26, 2019) ServeNebraska	AmeriCorps NCCC	2	8	-	-	-
Grand Island	Heartland United Way, Inc. Heartland United Way, Inc.	AmeriCorps VISTA	8	12	\$29,370	\$80,192	4
Grand Island	Literacy Council of Grand Island Literacy Council of Grand Island Inc	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	4	\$9,965	\$27,310	1
Harrison	CL Environmental Stewards The Corps Network	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$1,566	\$212	-
Hastings	YWCA Adams County AmeriCorps Program YWCA Adams County	AmeriCorps State	3	18	\$32,350	\$78,894	15
Lincoln	FIRST AmeriCorps VISTA FIRST	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$5,920	\$16,125	1
Lincoln	Lead Up - Roots and Branches Lead Up	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$6,095	\$16,704	1
Lincoln	Lincoln, NE - R07-3580-LOG-PLN (March 27 - April 11, 2019) Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) - Lincoln, NE	AmeriCorps NCCC	2	9	-	-	-
Lincoln	Lincoln, NE DSA R07-3582-NE-DSA-IAA (March 26 - April 16, 2019) FEMA Region 7 Field Office- Kansas City, MO	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	9	-	-	-
Lincoln	Lincoln, NE FLPM R07-3722-NE-ANY-XXX; R07-3775-NE-ANY-HM (August 31, 2019 - Current) FEMA Region 7 Field Office- Kansas City, MO	AmeriCorps NCCC	-	-	-	-	8
Lincoln	Lincoln, NE IA R07-3593-NE-IAA-DSA (April 16 - May 3, 2019) FEMA- Joint Field Office- Lincoln, NE	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	9	-	-	-
Lincoln	Lincoln, NE IAA R07-3594-NE-IAA-DSA (April 16 - May 3, 2019) FEMA- Joint Field Office- Lincoln, NE	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	8	-	-	-
Lincoln	Lincoln, NE PA R07-3627-NE-PAS-XXX (June 12 - August 23, 2019) FEMA- Joint Field Office- Lincoln, NE	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	6	-	-	-
Lincoln	Lincoln, NE PAS R07-3626-NE-PAS-XXX, R07-3644-NE-PAS-PAS (June 12 - August 23, 2019) FEMA- Joint Field Office- Lincoln, NE	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	7	-	-	-
Lincoln	Lincoln, NE PLN R07-3581-NE-PLN-PLN (March 26 - May 3, 2019) FEMA Region 7 Field Office- Kansas City, MO	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	8	-	-	-
Lincoln	Mission Assignment R07-3791-NE-PAS-XXX (December 9, 2019 - Current) FEMA- Joint Field Office- Lincoln, NE	AmeriCorps NCCC	-	-	-	-	7

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Lincoln	Nebraska Children Connected Youth Initiative AmeriCorps Nebraska Children and Families Foundation	AmeriCorps State	7	9	\$26,640	\$61,051	-
Lincoln	Nebraska Conservation Educational Fund Nebraska Conservation Educational Fund	AmeriCorps State	9	23	\$94,895	\$237,366	13
Lincoln	Rural Improvement for Schooling and Employment (RISE) Nebraska State Probation	AmeriCorps State	8	10	\$34,815	\$88,116	10
Lincoln	Sustainable National and State Afterschool Programs & Network Afterschool Alliance	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$6,195	\$17,571	-
Lincoln	YWCA of Lincoln YWCA of Lincoln	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	2
Macy	AIHEC Tribal VISTA Project American Indian Higher Education Consortium	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	1
Omaha	Campus Compact AmeriCorps*VISTA Campus Compact	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	1
Omaha	CL Environmental Stewards The Corps Network	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$5,815	\$738	1
Omaha	College Possible Nebraska College Possible	AmeriCorps State	1	5	\$29,600	\$62,252	-
Omaha	College Possible Omaha College Possible	AmeriCorps State	11	28	\$165,935	\$309,000	31
Omaha	College Possible VISTA College Possible	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	1
Omaha	Conservation Legacy Conservation Legacy	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$6,095	\$16,704	-
Omaha	DIBS For Kids DIBS For Kids	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	7	\$41,440	\$112,875	4
Omaha	Disrupting Traffick Disrupting Traffick	AmeriCorps VISTA	2	3	\$17,935	\$48,954	2
Omaha	Food Bank for the Heartland Food Bank for the Heartland	AmeriCorps VISTA	2	10	\$36,050	\$98,301	4
Omaha	Habitat for Humanity - Omaha (September 16 - November 7, 2019) Habitat for Humanity - Omaha	AmeriCorps NCCC	3	9	-	-	-
Omaha	International Orthodox Christian Charities: Omaha 2019 (April 3 - April 26, 2019) International Orthodox Christian Charities	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	9	-	-	-
Omaha	Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska Inc Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	1	\$5,920	\$16,125	-
Omaha	Notre Dame Housing Notre Dame Housing	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$12,190	\$33,408	-
Omaha	Omaha Admission Possible College Possible	AmeriCorps National	1	2	\$2,960	\$4,574	-
Omaha	Partnership 4 Kids Partnership 4 Kids	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	2	\$7,385	\$20,239	2
Omaha	Partnership 4 Kids College and Career Corps Partnership 4 Kids	AmeriCorps State	1	4	\$23,855	\$60,511	6
Omaha	REC Ethiopian Community Development Council Inc.	AmeriCorps National	1	1	\$5,815	-	-

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Omaha	The Set Me Free Project The Set Me Free Project	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	3	\$17,935	\$48,954	2
Omaha	United Way of the Midlands United Way of the Midlands	AmeriCorps VISTA	-	-	-	-	2
Omaha	University of Nebraska Medical Center II University of Nebraska Medical Center	AmeriCorps State	1	36	\$84,618	\$182,656	-
Omaha	Women's Center for Advancement ServeNebraska Women's Center for Advancement	AmeriCorps State	-	-	-	-	1
Omaha	YouthBuild Omaha AmeriCorps Goodwill Industries, Inc. (Omaha)	AmeriCorps State	1	29	\$67,516	\$68,746	-
Scottsbluff	Scottsbluff Public School District Scottsbluff Public School District	AmeriCorps State	4	4	\$9,052	\$22,131	1
South Bend	YMCA Camp Kitaki (September 17 - November 7, 2019) YMCA of Lincoln	AmeriCorps NCCC	1	9	-	-	-
Winnebago	Community and Family Education and Prevention Initiative Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska	AmeriCorps VISTA	1	16	\$44,139	\$120,671	4
AMERICORPS TOTAL			93	343	\$858,654	\$1,896,357	126

Senior Corps

City	Project Name Sponsor Organization	Program Type	Service Locations	Completed Participants	Education Scholarships	Federal Funding	Current Participants
Alliance	Box Butte County RSVP City of Alliance	RSVP	36	272	-	\$40,500	270
Beatrice	Pioneer FGP Blue Valley Community Action Inc.	Foster Grandparent Program	25	48	-	\$288,017	50
Chadron	Dawes & Sioux County RSVP Northwest Community Action Partnership	RSVP	25	107	-	\$84,278	110
Gering	CAPWN FGP Community Action Partnership of Western Nebraska	Foster Grandparent Program	32	70	-	\$306,750	70
Hastings	Adams/Webster Counties RSVP Senior Action Inc.	RSVP	30	712	-	\$58,058	712
Hastings	Senior Action, Inc. Foster Grandparent Program Senior Action Inc.	Foster Grandparent Program	21	40	-	\$228,010	40
Lincoln	Community Action Partnership of Lancaster and Saunders Count Community Action Partnership of Lancaster and Saunders Counties, Inc	Foster Grandparent Program	2	10	-	\$60,000	11
North Platte	North Platte Area RSVP City of North Platte	RSVP	14	74	-	\$40,500	74
Ogallala	Ogallala City/Keith County RSVP City of Ogallala	RSVP	36	295	-	\$40,500	295
Omaha	Eastern Nebraska FGP Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging	Foster Grandparent Program	40	65	-	\$299,396	65
Omaha	Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging RSVP Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging	RSVP	42	500	-	\$83,933	433
Omaha	RSVP Carroll County Carroll County Board	RSVP	1	15	-	-	15

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Omaha	SCP Omaha/Eastern Nebraska Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging	Senior Companion Program	6	60	-	\$271,420	60
Walthill	Omaha Nation Community Response Team Omaha Nation Community Response Team	Foster Grandparent Program	-	-	-	-	30
SENIOR CORPS TOTAL			310	2,268	-	\$1,801,362	2,235

Other Funding

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Lincoln	ServeNebraska	State Commission Investment Funds	-	-	-	\$350,413	-
Lincoln	ServeNebraska	State Commission Operations Support	-	-	-	\$265,000	-
Lincoln	FY2019 CHC Surge Funding ServeNebraska	Training and Technical Assistance	-	-	-	\$19,386	-
OTHER FUNDING TOTAL			-	-	-	\$634,799	-

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